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METHOD AND MATERIALS FOR USE IN DIAGNOSING VIRAL

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 30, 2009, Applicants elect, without traverse, the claims of Group II (claims 7-13, 20-26, and 28-30), drawn to a method (and kit thereof) for detecting an enteroviral infection in vitro. In regard to the claims for inclusion in Group II, we assume that the reference to claims "7-13, 20-25, and 7-30" at paragraph 1 of the Action was meant to refer to claims 7-13, 20-26, and 28-30.

Applicants further elect, with traverse, the species of Claim 2, a dystrophin cleavage product produced by enteroviral protease 2A cleavage of the rod domain of dystrophin for the species election. Applicants submit that claims 7-13, 20-26, and 28-30 read on the elected species.